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The better Protection of Person and Property in Ireland.

A.D. 1881.

BE it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :

- 5 1. (1.) Any person who is declared by warrant of the Lord Lieutenant to be reasonably suspected of having either before or after the passing of this Act been guilty as principal or accessory of high treason, treason-felony, or treasonable practices, wherever committed, or of any crime punishable by law committed in a pre-
- 10 scribed district, being an act of violence or intimidation, or the inciting to an act of violence or intimidation, and tending to interfere with or disturb the maintenance of law and order, may be arrested in any part of Ireland and legally detained during the continuance of this Act in such prison in Ireland as may from time
- 15 to time be directed by the Lord Lieutenant, without bail or main-prize; and shall not be discharged or tried by any court without the direction of the Lord Lieutenant; and every such warrant shall be conclusive evidence of all matters therein contained, and of the jurisdiction to issue and execute such warrant, and of the
- 20 legality of the arrest and detention of the person mentioned in such warrant.

Power of
Lord Lieu-
tenant to
arrest and
detain.

(2.) Any person detained in pursuance of a warrant under this Act shall be treated as a person accused of crime and not as a convicted prisoner.

- 25 (3.) A list of all persons for the time being detained in prison under this Act, with a statement opposite each person's name of the prison in which he is detained for the time being, and of the ground stated for his arrest in the warrant under which he is detained, shall be laid before each House of Parliament within

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(4.) "Prescribed district" means any part of Ireland in that behalf specified by an order of the Lord Lieutenant for the time being in force, and the Lord Lieutenant, by and with the advice of the 5 Privy Council in Ireland, may from time to time make, and when made, revoke and alter any such order.

Supple-
mental pro-
visions as to
warrants, &c.

2. (1.) Any warrant or order of the Lord Lieutenant under this Act may be signified under his hand or the hand of the Chief Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant, and a copy of every warrant 10 under this Act shall, within seven days after the execution thereof, be transmitted to the clerk of the Crown for the county of the city of Dublin, and be filed by him in his public office in that city.

(2.) The Lord Lieutenant, by and with the advice of the Privy Council in Ireland, may from time to time make, and when made 15 revoke and alter, an order prescribing the forms of warrants for the purposes of this Act, and any forms so prescribed shall when used be valid in law.

(3.) Every order under this Act shall be published in the Dublin Gazette, and the production of a printed copy of the Dublin Gazette 20 purporting to be printed and published by the Queen's authority, containing the publication of any order under this Act, shall be conclusive evidence of the contents of such order, and of the date thereof, and of the same having been duly made.

(4.) The expression "Lord Lieutenant" means the Lord Lieu- 25 tenant of Ireland or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland for the time being.

Continuance
of Act.

3. This Act shall continue in force until the *thirtieth day of September one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two*, and no longer.